

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1, 7-9, 15-17, 21, 22 and 26 will remain pending in this case. Claims 17 and 21 are allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is added in the above amendments.

Claims 1 and 9 are objected to due to informalities. Claims 9, 15, 16, 22 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Office Action indicates that all pending claims will be allowable if rewritten to overcome the pending objections and rejections. Applicants respectfully traverse the above listed rejections.

Interview Summary

On April 1, 2008, Examiners Dennis Myint and Cam Troung and Applicants' undersigned representative, Mr. Eiferman, participated in a telephonic interview. During the interview, Mr. Eiferman proposed the amendments herein. Examiners Myint and Troung stated that these amendments appeared to overcome the rejections of record.

Claim Objections

Claims 1 and 9 are hereby amended as suggested by the Office Action to correct informalities.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 9, 15, 16, 22 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse and note that claims 9, 15, 16, 22 and 26 are hereby amended to recite a "computer readable *storage* medium," which, as described in paragraph 19 of the Specification, is limited to tangible hardware. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 101 rejections is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance.

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